

## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

## CLERK'S OFFICE

**NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING AND PREFILE TESTIMONY DEADLINES**

DOCKET NOS. 2019-393-E and 2019-184-E

**Application Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. for Approval of "Storage Tariff" (Technology-Neutral Avoided Cost Rates for Energy and Capacity for Dispatchable Renewable Generating Facilities)**

-and-

**South Carolina Energy Freedom Act (H.3659) Proceeding to Establish Dominion Energy South Carolina, Incorporated's Standard Offer, Avoided Cost Methodologies, Form Contract Power Purchase Agreements, Commitment to Sell Forms, and Any Other Terms or Conditions Necessary (Includes Small Power Producers as Defined in 16 United States Code 796, as Amended) - S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-41-20(A)**

On February 5, 2020, the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) issued Order No. 2020-113(A)\*, and it approved the following motion:

On December 30, 2019, Dominion Energy filed its Rate PR Qualifying Facility Storage tariff. As required by the Settlement Agreement between Dominion and the Solar Business Alliance in Docket No. 2017-370-E, the tariff addresses avoided cost rates for energy and capacity procured from Qualifying Facilities that either use storage as a separate resource or operate as a dispatchable renewable generating facility such as solar plus storage.

Through a January 17, 2020 filing, Solar Business Alliance is requesting that this Commission:

1. Not consider Dominion's Storage Tariff filing for approval at this time and provide interested parties an opportunity to intervene;
2. Set a procedural schedule in consultation with the parties; and
3. Evaluate the Dominion Storage Tariff in the Act 62 avoided cost docket 2019-184-E because (a) the Storage Tariff necessitates changes to the form power purchase agreement or creation of new form power purchase agreements, and (b) Section 58-41-20(A)(2) includes evaluation of the costs and benefits of storage in the avoided cost methodology.

In its response to SBA's request, Dominion contends the Storage Tariff was submitted in compliance with the Settlement and not in connection with ongoing matters in the avoided cost docket. Furthermore, maintaining the Storage Tariff outside of the avoided cost docket does not prohibit "review and comment by interested parties" nor does it prohibit Commission review, in compliance with Act 62.

I move that we deny the request of the Solar Business Alliance to consider the Storage Tariff in Docket No. 2019-184-E. However, I also move that we instruct the Clerk's office to set an intervention deadline and prefile testimony schedule so interested parties can participate.

\* Commissioner Ervin has recused himself from all matters related to Docket No. 2019-184-E as of January 3, 2020, and continuing thereafter.

**If the Application or Petition in this case contains a request for adjustment of rates, the rates are subject to potential modification by the Commission during the course of this case.**

A copy of the company's Application can be found on the Commission's website at [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov) under Docket No. 2019-393-E and 2019-184-E. Additionally, a copy of the Application is available from the office of K. Chad Burgess, Esquire, Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc., MC222, 220 Operation Way, Cayce, South Carolina, South Carolina 29033 and J. Ashley Cooper, Esquire, Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein, LLP, 200 Meeting Street, Suite 301, Charleston, South Carolina, 29401.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter as a party of record should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **March 18, 2020**, by filing the Petition to Intervene with the Commission, by providing a copy to the Office of Regulatory Staff and by providing a copy to all parties of record. For the receipt of future Commission correspondence, please include an email address in the Petition to Intervene. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2019-393-E and 2019-184-E and mail a copy to all other parties in this docket.*** Any person who seeks to intervene and who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify, in writing, the Commission; the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; and the company at the above address, on or before **March 18, 2020**. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2019-393-E and 2019-184-E.***

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that a hearing, pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-817, on the above matter has been scheduled to begin on **Tuesday, May 05, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.**, before the Commission in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210 for the purpose of receiving testimony and evidence from all interested parties. The hearing may continue through May 6, 2020, if necessary.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO ALL PARTIES OF RECORD (Applicant, Petitioners, and Intervenors only):**

All Parties of Record must prefile testimony with the Commission and with all Parties of Record. Prefiled Testimony Deadlines: Applicant's **Direct Testimony** Due: **3/24/2020**; Other Parties of Record **Direct Testimony** Due: **4/7/2020**; Applicant's **Rebuttal Testimony** Due: **4/14/2020**; and Other Parties of Record **Surrebuttal Testimony** Due: **4/21/2020**. All prefiled testimony deadlines are subject to the information as posted on [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov) under ***Docket No. 2019-393-E and 2019-184-E.***

For the most recent information regarding this docket, including changes in scheduled dates included in this Notice, please refer to [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov) and ***Docket No. 2019-393-E and 2019-184-E.***

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments in person to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100 or visit its website at [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov).

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